

Oklee Precipitation
By Einar Kvasager

	Rain	Snow
April 21	0.16	
Total in.	0.16	0.00

Oklee Herald

...AND CONTINUING THE PLUMMER PIONEER



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Randy Huie Selected State Student Council Advisor of the Year

By Jeremy Kruchowski
Mr. Randy Huie from Red Lake County Central High School was selected as the Minnesota State Student Council Advisor of the Year at the Minnesota State Student Council Convention and Banquet held April 6-8 in Medford, MN.
The state of Minnesota is divided into 10 Student Council divisions. Each division selects a Student Council Advisor of the Year at their Spring Summit. The State Advisor of the Year is chosen from these 10 Division Advisors of the Year. This year Huie was chosen as the Northwest Division Advisor of the Year.

The Minnesota State Student Council Advisor of the Year goes to someone "who has gone above and beyond the daily roles and responsibilities of advising the Student Council. This person serves as a mentor to student leaders in ways that allow them to grow in their education and careers."

Huie's involvement in Student Council began when he was at Denfield High School in Duluth, MN when he was on the council for six years. During his senior year, he was elected



RLCC's Student Council advisor Mr. Randy Huie with his award for being the Minnesota State Student Council Advisor of the Year.

president of the Denfield Student Council. When he began teaching in Oklee he had interest in being involved with the Student Council at the school. He now has advised RLCC's Student Council for 21 years.

Congratulations to Randy Huie for being named the Minnesota State Student Council Advisor of the Year.

Two Newspapers in NW Minnesota make changes or close

There has been bad news for a couple of small newspapers in northwestern Minnesota. The Warroad Pioneer has announced that their last weekly paper will likely be May 7th. The publisher is holding on to the hope that someone will purchase the publication. This ends a 120 year old institution.

The other change involves the Crookston Times, which has been a daily newspaper, is going to go from a Monday to Friday daily paper to a bi-weekly newspaper, beginning on May 6th and will be published on Monday and Wednesday. The Crookston Times has been printed since 1885.

The Crookston Times is not reducing the staffing and will concentrate more on the digital aspect of their business, though clicks, likes, shares, and retweets don't pay the bills.

According to the articles, the largest cause to the closing is that people don't advertise or subscribe to newspapers like they used to, which is the bread and butter of this type of business.

Many local newspapers are transitioning over to online subscriptions and advertising.

This is a large loss to Warroad and Crookston.

Introducing "LSS Meals" And Other New Service Names

As Lutheran Social Service of Minnesota (LSS) continues to grow its nutrition services to meet the changing needs of older adults and other Minnesota neighbors, it introduced three new service names today.

"LSS Meals" is replacing "LSS Senior Nutrition" as the overarching name for all of Lutheran Social Service of Minnesota's food-based services. Their community dining sites across the state will now be called "LSS Bistro," and the nonprofit's meals delivered at home with the help of volunteers will be known as "LSS Meals on Wheels."

"The way individuals receive meals is changing," said Kristin Schurrer, senior director of LSS

Meals. "As our neighbors age, so do their preferences. We are creating new partnerships and continuing to evolve our services to allow individuals to remain living at home longer if they prefer."

Currently LSS offers well-balanced, great tasting and affordable home style meals in 165 communities in 39 Minnesota counties. To learn more or find the closest LSS Meals option in your area, please visit www.lssmn.org/meals.

North Country Food Bank Receives Grant From The Otto Bremer Trust For \$200,000

North Country Food Bank is excited to announce that it has received a \$200,000 grant from the Otto Bremer Trust. Over the past three years, the staff and board of North Country Food Bank have been working very hard to plan for a much-needed new facility, as well as to build community and regional support for its construction.

North Country's current facility no longer meets its needs. The proposed new facility will allow for the growth and expansion of the emergency food distribution to more than 220 charitable organizations, in more than 75 communities, spanning 21 counties in northwest and west central Minnesota.

North Country's efforts are beginning to produce results! North Country's building project was approved for a \$3 million contribution by the State of Minnesota during its 2018 legislative session. This milestone put North Country well over the half-way mark of its estimated project cost of \$6 million, but North Country must still raise an additional \$1.5 million in order to meet the State's dollar for dollar match requirement. "This gift from

the Otto Bremer Trust will have a major impact on North Country's work to secure funding for a new facility," said Susie Novak, executive director. "We sincerely appreciate the support from the Otto Bremer Trust, and are excited to move one step closer to our goal," said Novak.

The impact of North Country's building project will be felt by thousands throughout northwest and west central Minnesota. North Country serves high-risk individuals on a daily basis. Its 15,000-square-mile service area is home to approximately 350,000 people. Nearly 13 percent of residents, many of whom are the "working poor," fall below the poverty line, and about 10 percent are food insecure. Last year alone, North Country distributed more than 10 million pounds of food, the equivalent of approximately

8.5 million meals. The food North Country distributes not only helps children, people with disabilities, families, and senior citizens address their immediate basic needs, it also helps increase possibilities for greater health, employment, education, and/or prosperity.

Calendar of Events

- Wed, May 1:**
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
-Senior Site Activity: 1:30 p.m. – Bridge.
-7:00 p.m. Bingo at Plummer Legion.
- Thu, May 2:**
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
-Senior Site Activity: 12:30 p.m. – Bingo.
- Fri, May 3:**
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
-Noon deadline for Oklee Herald news.
- Sat, May 4:**
-Support your local business – Shop Locally!
- Sun, May 5:**
-Worship at the church of your choice.
- Mon, May 6:**
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
- Tue, May 7:**
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
-Senior Site Activity: 1:30 p.m. – Cards
- Wed, May 8:**
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
-Senior Site Activity: 1:30 p.m. – Bridge.
-7:00 p.m. Bingo at Plummer Legion.
- Thu, May 9:**
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
-Senior Site Activity: 12:30 p.m. – Bingo.
- Fri, May 10:**
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
-Noon deadline for Oklee Herald news.
- Sat, May 11:**
-Support your local business – Shop Locally!
- Sun, May 12:**
-Worship at the church of your choice.
- Mon, May 13:**
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
- Tue, May 14:**
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
-Senior Site Activity: 1:30 p.m. – Cards,
Senior Site Potluck at Cafe 5:00 p.m.
- Wed, May 15:**
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
-Senior Site Activity: 1:30 p.m. – Bridge.
-7:00 p.m. Bingo at Plummer Legion.
- Thu, May 16:**
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
-Senior Site Activity: 12:30 p.m. – Bingo.
- Fri, May 17:**
-LSS Sr. Meals 11:30 a.m.
-Noon deadline for Oklee Herald news.
- Sat, May 18:**
-Support your local business – Shop Locally!
- Sun, May 19:**
-Worship at the church of your choice.
- Mon, May 20:**
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
- Tue, May 21:**
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
-Senior Site Activity: 1:30 p.m. – Cards.
- Wed, May 22:**
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
-Senior Site Activity: 1:30 p.m. – Bridge.
-7:00 p.m. Bingo at Plummer Legion.
- Thu, May 23:**
-LSS Sr. Meal 11:30 a.m.
-Senior Site Activity: 12:30 p.m. – Bingo.



Easter Egg Hunt in Oklee

ON
YOUR
MARK!

GET
SET!

GO!



The Easter Bunny came to Oklee and visited with many children. The Easter Bunny was a hit and the children love the Easter Bunny.

One young lad wanted to take the Easter Bunny home with him. He followed the Easter Bunny around the Community Hall and gave the fuzzy bunny a hug many times during the Easter Egg Hunt.

This is the first time that the Easter Bunny has come to Oklee.

Pictured on the left is the Kelly & Betsy Brekke children.



Pictured on the right is Jenny O'Neill with two of her boys.
More pictures inside...



Church news

OKLEE LUTHERAN PARISH
Zion and Salem
Pastor Linda Molitor
Wed, May 1: 7:00 p.m.
Confirmation at Salem.
Sun, May 5: 9:00 a.m. Zion.
10:30 a.m. Salem.

CATHOLIC PARISHES OF OKLEE, GRYGLA & GOODRIDGE
Fr. Adam Hamness
Sun, May 5: 7:30 a.m.
Confessions 8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Francis Xavier, Oklee; 10:15 a.m. St. Clement Parish, Grygla; 12:00 p.m. St. Ann Parish, Goodridge.

BROOKS - RED LAKE FALLS CATHOLIC PARISH
Fr. Bob Schreiner
Sat, May 4: 5:30 p.m. RLF
Sun, May 5: 8:00 a.m. Brooks. 10:00 a.m. RLF.

IMMANUEL-EBENEZER LUTHERAN PARISH ELCA
Pastor Jonathan Dodson
Sun, May 5: 9:00 a.m. Worship at Immanuel. 10:15 a.m. SS at Immanuel. 10:30 a.m. Worship at Ebenezer.

GOODRIDGE AREA LUTHERAN PARISH ELCA
Bethany-Ekelund-Faith
Pastor Kristen Ostercamp
Wed, May 1: 6:00 p.m. Faith WELCA.
Sun, May 5: 8:30 a.m. Bethany. 9:45 a.m. Ekelund. 11:00 a.m. Faith.
Tue, May 7: 7:00 p.m. Breaking Free Bible Study.
Wed, May 8: 1:30 p.m. Ekelund Ladies Aid with pot-luck.

Oklee Senior Site Dining

May 6 - 10
Call 796-5666 to order a meal.

If you are over the age of 60 and would like to eat with other seniors at the Senior Site, please call the Café at 796-5666 to reserve your meal. A \$4.00 per meal donation is suggested.

Monday: Chicken strip, hash browns, peas, toast, and dessert.

Tuesday: Pancake, ½ pc. ham, 1 egg, and dessert.

Wednesday: Pork noodle hotdish, peas, toast, and dessert.

Thursday: Baked chicken, parsley buttered potatoes, carrots, bread, and dessert.

Friday: Egg salad sandwich, chicken vegetable soup, and dessert.

CLEARWATER LUTHERAN PARISH
Mt. Olive - Nazareth
Oak Park - St. Petri
Pastor Jeff Merseeth
Wed, May 1: 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday School.
Sat, May 4: 9:00 a.m. Mt. Olive.

Sun, May 5: 8:00 a.m. St. Petri. 9:15 a.m. SS; 8:30 a.m. SS Oak Park. 9:45 a.m. Oak Park. 10:00 a.m. SS at Nazareth. 11:00 a.m. Nazareth.
Wed, May 8: 5:00 p.m. Wednesday School.

NEW JOURNEY CHURCH
Josiah Hoagland, Pastor
Tyler Stynberg, Youth Pastor
Wed, May 1: 6:30 p.m. Youth Group.
Thu, May 2: 12:00 p.m. Rotary Meeting.
Sun, May 5: 9:30 a.m. Worship. 10:45 a.m. Sunday School.
Tue, May 7: 6:30 a.m. Men's Prayer meeting. 9:30 a.m. Ladies Devotions. 10:00 a.m. Quilting. 6:30 p.m. Bible Study.
Wed, May 8: 6:30 p.m. Youth Group.

GULLY-TRAIL PARISH
Bethany * Lund
Sand Valley
Dawn Hanson, Lay Minister
Wed, May 1: 6:15 p.m. 7 & 8 grade confirmation at Lund.
Sun, May 5: 9:00 a.m. Lund. 10:30 p.m. Sand Valley. 1:30 p.m. Confirmation meet at Lund - Cemetery cleanup.
Wed, May 8: 2:00 p.m. Lund WELCA.

BETHEL ASSEMBLY
Fosston
Seth Johnson, Interim Pastor
Sun, May 5: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Worship.

For Sale on Bids

12 foot single axle aluminum utility trailer with fold up ramps. Trailer is available for inspection outside the City Maintenance lot, south of Cenex.

Bid forms available in the City Clerk's office or my contacting Douglas Cote, Dept. Chief at 218-280-3393.

Sealed bid formed must be filled out and returned to the City Clerk's office before 4:00 p.m. Thursday, May 30, 2019.

Reserve the right to accept or refuse all bids.

Red Lake Falls Library News

Next Monday, May 6 brings guitarist-singer-songwriter Dennis Warner back to the region to perform a concert at the RLF branch beginning at 6:00 pm. He will also appear in the Thief River Falls Library on Tuesday, May 7 at 6:00 pm, as well as the Hallock branch earlier that day at 10:30 am.

New adult nonfiction includes "Greek to Me: Adventures of the Comma Queen" by Mary Norris. "Greek to Me" gives Norris' account of a life-long love affair with words and her solo adventures in the land of live trees and ouzo. Along the way, she explains how the alphabet originated in Greece, and reveals the surprising ways Greek helped form English; it's fresh take on Greece and the exotic yet strangely familiar language that so deeply influences our own.

And "Decorating with

Plants: What to Choose, Ways to Style, and How to Make Them Thrive" by Baylor Chapman, who "walks readers through everything they need to know to bring houseplants into their home starting with Plant Care 101, then introducing 28 of her favorites—specimens that are tough but stylish, and finally, guiding readers through the home room by room to show you how to add plants to spaces big and small with style."

The library is open on Tuesday from Noon until 7:00 pm, Wednesday from Noon until 7:00 pm, Thursday from Noon to 5:00 p.m.; Friday from Noon until 5:00 pm, and Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. On-line patrons are reminded that they can visit www.nwrlib.org/rlf.htm at any time, where they can access their accounts to browse, request and renew materials home.

Come CELEBRATE With Us!

ARIO ROLANDSON IS TURNING 90!

Oklee Cafe
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2-4 pm

Nerissa's Greenhouse

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OFFICIAL CITY OF PLUMMER CLEAN UP ORDER



All yards and outbuildings should be thoroughly cleaned and all trash removed. Owners of vacant lots in the City are responsible for the appearance of their lots. Vacant lots that are not maintained will be mowed by the City and a fee will be charged to the lot owner.

The City of Plummer also prohibits the use of lots for storing and keeping junked vehicles with the city limits as a public nuisance. (junked vehicles are those that are unlicensed and or missing component parts.)

It takes the cooperation of all residents, business owners and lot owners to improve the appearance of our City.

Red Lake County has 2 landfill sites. The one located west of Red Lake Falls will be open May 1st. Hours are Mon-Thurs from 7:30 am - 5:30 pm, Fri from 8 am- Noon. Open the 1st & 3rd Sat of the month from 8 am- 11 am.

The Oklee landfill site is open May 1st and is open on the 2nd & 4th Saturday mornings and Wednesday evenings. This is where you bring items not picked up by regular garbage services.

For more information on the Red Lake County Landfills, go to: <http://www.co.red-lake.mn.us>, Click on the Services Tab, then Public Health & Services; and finally on Environmental Services.

If you need extra garbage bags for garbage pickup, you can purchase them at Red River Ag Convenience Store for normal garbage pickup.

If you have any questions, you may call the City Clerk's office at 218-465-4231 Monday - Thursday from 8- noon.
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City of Oklee Notice

Garbage will be picked up in the alley starting May 6th.



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COUNTY PROJECT - BIDS CLOSE

Tuesday, May 28th, 2019
RED LAKE COUNTY
RED LAKE FALLS, MN 56750

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS - Bids will be received until 11:00 AM, Tuesday, May 28th, 2019, by Robert Schmitz, County Auditor, at the Auditor's Office in the Red Lake County Court House, 124 Langevin Ave, Red Lake Falls, MN 56750, for the construction of the project listed below. Bids will be opened publicly by Erik Hove, County Engineer, or a designated representative, on behalf of the Red Lake County Board of Commissioners.

S.A.P. 063-612-008 - Culvert replacement on CSAH # 12

The Major quantities of work include COMMON EXCAVATION CY 1150; AGGREGATE BASE CLASS 5 CY 300; TYPE SP 9.5 WEARING COURSE MIXTURE (2,B) TON 75; GRANULAR BACKFILL (CV) CY 730; 138" SPAN RC PIPE-ARCH CULVERT CL.IIA LF 128; 138" SPAN RC PIPE-ARCH APRON EACH 2; RANDOM RIPRAP CLASS III CY 210; EROSION CONTROL BLANKET CATERGORY 3 SY 500.

Plans and proposals may be procured by purchase from the Red Lake County Highway Department, 204 7th Street Southeast, Red Lake Falls, MN 56750.

Complete Plans, Bid Proposals and Specifications:
Counter Price: \$50.00 (includes tax)
Mailed: \$58.00 (includes tax)

Bids must be accompanied by a cashier's check or bidder's bond made payable to the Red Lake County Treasurer in the amount of at least 5% of the total bid.

The Red Lake County Board of Commissioners reserves the right to accept any bid or reject any or all bids, waive irregularities, and award the contract in the best interest of Red Lake County.

Robert Schmitz - Red Lake County Auditor

CITY OF PLUMMER Large Item Pick-up

May 9th ..starting at 8 am

Only metal items will be picked up: white goods (water heaters, stoves, refrigerators, dryers etc.)

NO MICROWAVES, TV'S OR COMPUTER MONITORS. Monitors, TV's or Microwaves may be picked up for a nominal fee. Fees for monitors, TV's and microwaves are \$5.00 each.

Must be paid for in advance to Sanitary Services. Please call Sanitary Services at 218-253-4126 the week before the clean to make arrangements for pick up.

Rimless tires will also be picked up for a fee: 17" and up \$3.00, 16" and down \$2.00. Must be paid for in advance to be picked up.

Items will be picked up at your home. Please have them out by 8:00 am and place items on the boulevard. This is a one day only pick-up. If you have any questions, call the City Clerk's office at 465-4231.

Crossword Solution

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Discharge of Sump Pumps

The City of Oklee requests all homes in Oklee to make sure their sump pumps are pumping into the street or yard and not into the waste water system. If you are pumping into the waste water system, you are putting a lot of strain on the system and causing harm to the settling ponds.

If you have any question on sump pumps, call 796-5183



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RLCC Menus

May 6 - 10
Oklee

Monday: Breakfast: Ham & cheese croissant, cereal, fruit, and milk. **Lunch:** Chicken fajita, refried beans, lettuce, carrots & celery, fruit, and milk.

Tuesday: Breakfast: Cereal, toast, fruit, and milk. **Lunch:** Pork Fritters, au gratin potatoes, vegetable, fruit, and milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast: French toast, syrup, cereal, fruit, and milk. **Lunch:** Chicken nuggets refried beans, vegetable, fruit, and milk.

Thursday: Breakfast: Cereal, toast, fruit, and milk. **Lunch:** Ham patty, curly fries, vegetables, fruit, and milk.

Friday: Breakfast: Cinnamon roll, cereal, fruit, and milk. **Lunch:** Hot dog or polish, baked beans, chips, fruit, and milk.

Plummer

Monday: Breakfast: Scrambled eggs & ham, cereal, fruit, and milk. **Lunch:** Macaroni hamburger hotdish, corn, garlic breadstick, fruit, and milk.

Tuesday: Breakfast: Pancakes, cereal, fruit, and milk. **Lunch:** Pork Fritter, mashed potatoes, gravy, vegetable medley, dinner roll, fruit, and milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast: Apple turnover, cereal, fruit, and milk. **Lunch:** Variety of Burgers/bun, potato variety, salad, fruit, and milk.

Thursday: Breakfast: Egg omelet, cereal, fruit, and milk. **Lunch:** Fajita (chicken, lettuce, cheese, sour cream, salsa), hash browns, veggies, ranch, fruit, and milk.

Friday: Breakfast: Roll, cereal, fruit, and milk. **Lunch:** K-2: Pizza. Grades 3-6: Pizza or calzone. All: Salad, tomatoes, sherbet, fruit, and milk.

Awards Day is May 8 at RLCC

By Eric Gieseke

Awards Day will be held Wednesday, May 8 at 1:00 p.m. at Red Lake County Central High School. This event will take place in the high school gym and the public is invited.

Seniors will be introduced along with their future plans, and scholarships will be given to seniors. There will also be recognition for Student Senate, Honor Society, Knowledge Bowl and Drama. Other awards that will be given out include perfect attendance, academic letters and much more.

RLCC ECFE Events for May

By: Jeremy Kruchowski

Parents are a child's first and most important teacher. Red Lake County Central Early Childhood Family Education (ECFE) classes can help you with that role. Each month during the school year, fun night and classes are planned where you and your child together can explore developmentally appropriate play and learning activities.

RLCC ECFE has three events planned for May. Family fun nights are for children that are birth to five years old and their parents. Grandparents, or other family members are welcome.

Thursday, May 2nd is the seventh Infant/Toddler Class. It will be "Homemade Baby Food" at the Oklee site from 6-7:00 PM. Jodi from the WIC program will be presenting information on how to make homemade baby food for infants. Each family will receive an ice cube tray and possibly a food mill for grinding food.

Monday, May 6th will be Kindergarten Round up for all four to five year olds starting Kindergarten in the fall of 2019 from 6-7:00 PM in Plummer.

RLCC ECFE Family Fun Big Wheels Night will be **Thursday, May 16th** from 6-7:00 PM in Oklee. Come and join them for the last ECFE class for the year. They are planning on having a lot of BIG items for you to explore like a floater, tractor, fire truck, police car, ambulance and a few more. Bring the whole family!



Rhonda Vettleson is the Driver's Ed teacher at Red Lake County Central.

RLCC's Driver's Education Teacher

By: Isaiah Aquino

Rhonda Vettleson is the new Driver's Education instructor for Red Lake County Central. Vettleson became a certified driving instructor in January 2019. She took five online classes through St. Cloud State University. After finishing those classes she had to do a road test with the head of driver's education in Alexandria. Vettleson wanted to become a driving instructor because she knew that the district was looking for an instructor and she wanted to take on a new challenge. Because she teaches elementary students she thought it would be a nice change. She also enjoys spending time with and getting to know the driver's ed students.

Vettleson offered two classes this year due to the large number of students that decided to take the driver's ed class. As a driver's ed teacher, Vettleson

teaches a 30 hour classroom course which includes study guides, tests, and quizzes. She "likes to meet as often as possible" so the classes are usually 4-7 pm on weekdays, 9 AM-12 pm on Saturdays, and 2-5 pm on Sundays. She also has to keep up with any changes in the laws or changes to the driver's ed manual.

Once the students complete the class requirements, the students will receive their blue card which is one thing Vettleson says the students are excited to get. After the students take their permit test, they then do six hours of behind the wheel with Vettleson which will start this spring. She added, "I prefer to have two-three students at once. You can learn a lot from watching others."

Vettleson also teaches first grade at RLCC Elementary School. She graduated from Oklee High School in 1986 then attended Bemidji State University to obtain her teaching license for elementary education and graduated in the spring of 1991. Since that time added her kindergarten endorsement, early childhood license and recently her teaching driver's education license.

She has been married for 31 years to Kim Vettleson, and they have three children: Ana (Andrew Bramer) and Josh (Nicole) Vettleson, and Casey Vettleson. They also have eight grandchildren: Benji, Alex, Aaliyah, and Brady Bramer; Easton, Bristol and Hudson Vettleson; and Abbott Wilson. Vettleson loves to travel especially to Israel and Nashville. She also loves to be on the boat when she can and loves to read.

RLC Results from Quentin Jones Invitational Meet

By: Danny Guillemette

The Red Lake County Rebels competed at Quentin Jones Invitational Meet for Track and Field on Tuesday, April 23.

The Girls team finished in fifth place. Individual and relay results for the RLC Girls' team include the following:

100 Hurdles- 1st place: MaKenzie Williams 16.52

100 Meter- 3rd place: Zoe Russillo 12.90

200 Meter- 5th place: AJ Jones 29.74

4x200 Meter Relay- 5th place: AJ Jones, Kia Bachand, MaKenzie Williams, and Zoe Russillo 1:57.46

4x400 Meter Relay- 4th place: Clara Girdler, Maisy Hoefer, Kia Bachand, and Hollie Knott 4:43.42

Triple Jump- 5th place: MaKenzie Williams 30'5 1/2", and 7th place: Clara Girdler 29'3 1/2"

High Jump- 2nd place: MaKenzie Williams 4'11"

Discus- 6th place: Hollie Knott 84'8"

Shot Put- 6th place: Sienna Olson 29'2 3/4"

The Boys team finished in a tie for fifth place. Results for the Boys' team include the

following individual and relay places:

4x800 Meter Relay- 5th place: Brody Moen, Brenden Larson, Marcus Paradis, and Brock Tvedt 9:47.68

110 Hurdles- 1st place: Carter Williams 17.96, and 2nd place: Connor Lambert 18.11

4x200 Meter Relay- 8th place: Jeremy Kruchowski, Trent Goulet, Tristyn Ferguson, and Carter Williams 1:50.71

4x100 Meter Relay- 7th place: Trent Goulet, Isiah Olson, Jeremy Kruchowski, and Jordan Kasproicz 53.56

800 Meter- 8th place: Brenden Larson 2:27.08

300 Hurdles- 4th place: Connor Lambert 45.49, and 6th place: Marcus Paradis 46.24

3200 Meter- 5th place: Brock Tvedt 11:50.84

4x400 Meter Relay- 6th place: Jeremy Kruchowski, Brody Moen, Tristyn Ferguson, and Chris Longtin 4:24.52

High Jump- 3rd place: Carter Williams 5'2"

Triple Jump- 2nd place: Connor Lambert 36'5", and 6th place: Marcus Paradis 35'9"

RLC Jr High competes at Mahnomen/Waubun

Red Lake County Rebels Junior High Track and Field team competed at their first meet of the season. The Mahnomen/Waubun Junior High Meet was held Tuesday, April 23.

The Girls "A" Division team finished in first place winning the meet. Results from their team include the following:

200 Meter- 1st place: Brooklyn Cardinal 30.70, 2nd place: Savanna Nelson 31.27, and 5th place: Kiara Sauve 35.70

400 Meter- 2nd place: Marissa Schiebe 1:09.43, 3rd place: Brooklyn Cardinal 1:10.80, and 4th place: Savanna Nelson 1:12.72

800 Meter- 2nd place: Kjerstin Nelson 2:51.69, and 4th place: Aurim Olson 3:15.62

1600 Meter- 2nd place: Kjerstin Nelson 6:36.93

100 Hurdles- 3rd place: Marissa Schiebe 18.95, 5th place: Arielle Rude 19.57, and 7th place: Aurim Olson 22.15

800 Sprint Medley Relay- 3rd place: Aurim Olson, Arielle Rude, Marissa Schiebe, and Kjerstin Nelson 2:18.92

High Jump- 3rd place: Marissa Schiebe 3'10", and 4th place: Aurim Olson 3'8"

Long Jump- 1st place: Kiara Sauve 12'2", 4th place: Arielle Rude 11'8", and 5th place: Brooklyn Cardinal 10'11"

Finishing in third place was the Girls "B" Division team from RLC. The following are their results.

200 Meter- 4th place: Sydney Fougner 30.82

400 Meter- 2nd place: Jamie Flatgard 1:16.04, and 3rd place: Sydney Fougner 1:16.37

800 Meter- 3rd place: Kya Morinville 3:23.99

100 Hurdles- 1st place: Kiara Sauve 21.18, 3rd place: Jamie Flatgard 21.74, and 5th place: Kya Morinville 22.32

4x200 Meter Relay- 2nd place: Jamie Flatgard, Jennifer Johnson, Ella Moen, and Sydney Fougner 2:16.79

Long Jump- 6th place: Sydney Fougner 11'1"

The Boys "A" Division team finished in second place. Those who placed were:

400 Meter- 5th place: Damon Ferguson 1:03.57

800 Meter- 1st place: Blane Schmitz 2:34.09

1600 Meter- 1st place: Blane Schmitz 5:52.11

110 Hurdles- 1st place: Carson Lambert 18.17, and 5th place: Steven Sogla 20.29

4x200 Meter Relay- 2nd place: Steven Sogla, Gerald Melin, Carson Lambert, and Damon Ferguson 1:55.51

800 Sprint Medley Relay- 2nd place: Steven Sogla, Damon Ferguson, Carson Lambert, and Blane Schmitz 1:59.46

High Jump- 3rd place: Gerald Melin 4'10 1/2"

Long Jump- 2nd place: Da-

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Academic Banquet photos



RLCC 8th graders maintaining a 3.5 GPA in their core classes were waiters and waitresses at the Academic Banquet. Pictured are: (Back) Marin Peterson, Damon Ferguson, Aurora Mitzner, Carson Lambert and Natalie Vettleson. (Front) Aurim Olson, Shawna Majeres, Gunnar Sandeen, Natalie Lindemoen and Luci Svensden.



Freshman with their medals at the RLCC Academic Banquet. Back: Jonathan Roue, Peyton Fish, Tyler Eskeli, Zach Cater, and Steven Sogla. Front: Taya Morinville, Cari Bachand, Kjerstin Nelson, Bailey Sherman, Halie Thompson. Not pictured: Leah Peterson.



Sophomores receiving academic medals at the RLCC Academic Banquet were (back) Adriel Bakken, Kia Bachand, Karena Melby, Annika Senum, (front) Janae Olson, Emily Kolstoe, Danny Guillemette, and Katelyn Suchy.



RLCC juniors that were awarded medals at the Academic Banquet were (top) Chris Longtin, Jenna Pahlen, Zachary Benson, (bottom) Abby Walton, Lillyan Guillemette, and Calyssa Eskeli. Not pictured: Derek Peterson.

Meet the Class of 2019



Name: Austin Jensen
Family members: Carrie, Jason, Brandi, Tyler, Peyton
Favorite movie: The Notebook
Favorite song/band: Nowadays by Lil Skies
Favorite class: Gym
Favorite RLCC Sport/Activity: Baseball
Favorite teacher/coach: Mr. Strutz
Most important person in your life: My family, they work the best for me and always will.
Life has rules. What is your personal rule you plan on following in your life: Enjoy life while you got it.
Best memory from school: The time Sarah tooted in Mr. Huie's class last year.
Your plans for the Future: Go to MSUM for occupational therapy and just live life.



Name: Daphney Koralewski
Family members: Jessica Lindermoen, Natatie & Autumn and Cory Koralewski, Cash
Favorite movie: What Happened to Monday
Favorite song/band: Bring me the Horizon
Favorite class: Chemistry
Favorite RLCC Sport/Activity: Student Senate
Favorite teacher/coach: Mr. Strutz
Most important person in your life: Me
Life has rules. What is your personal rule you plan on following in your life: Be Smart
Best memory from school: Talking to Isaac in Economics
Your plans for the Future: Stay alive.



Name: Connor Lambert
Family members: Scott & Shannon, Carson, Devin, Reese, Ben, Alden
Favorite movie: Saving Private Ryan
Favorite song/band: Skid Row
Favorite class: Pre-Calc
Favorite RLCC Sport/Activity: Football
Favorite teacher/coach: Mama Matzke
Most important person in your life: Me
Life has rules. What is your personal rule you plan on following in your life: Live everyday like it's your last
Best memory from school: When Christian got smoked in the face by Mr. Carlson during a dodgeball game.



Name: Andrew Fish
Family members: Darin Fish (dad), Sally Thompson (mom), Peyton Fish (brother)
Favorite movie: Napoleon Dynamite
Favorite song/band: Avenged Sevenfold
Favorite class: Pre-Calc
Favorite RLCC Sport/Activity: Knowledge Bowl
Favorite teacher/coach: Mr. Paskavan
Most important person in your life: My dad
Life has rules. What is your personal rule you plan on following in your life: 10K
Best memory from school: Christian Baker's homerun or Peach Fuzz/Powderpuff
Your plans for the Future: Major in Civil Engineering at NDSU



Name: Christian Baker
Family members: Mom: Heather. Dad: Ryan. Brother: Jeremiah. Sisters: Natalie and Lily.
Favorite movie: How to Train Your Dragon
Favorite song/band: Casting Crows
Favorite class: Physics
Favorite RLCC Sport/Activity: Baseball
Favorite teacher/coach: Mr. Strutz, Mr. Illies, Mr. Paskavan, Mrs Aakhus, Mr. Huie.
Most important person in your life: Jesus, no matter what he'll be at the head of it all.
Life has rules. What is your personal rule you plan on following in your life: Trust in God.
Best memory from school: Hard to pick a favorite. I've learned to take the bad with the good and vice versa, so I would say, all of it. Because it shaped me into the person I am today.
Your plans for the Future: I'm joining the Air Force after school. I hope to make a career out of it.

Deadline:
Friday's at noon!



Name: Sydnie Gunderson
Family members: Suzie, Jamey, Cheyenne, Shelby
Favorite movie: The Titanic
Favorite song/band: Heaven by Brian Adams
Favorite class: Online w/ Jenna
Favorite RLCC Sport/Activity: Volleyball
Favorite teacher/coach: Angie
Most important person in your life: My parents
Life has rules. What is your personal rule you plan on following in your life: Do what makes me happy
Best memory from school: When Sarah and I got lost in the Fargo Dome together and ran together crying until we found the bus – it's funny now
Your plans for the Future: Graduate from a university with my social working degree

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mon Ferguson 15'5", 4th place: Carson Lambert 14'8 ½", and 8th place: Steven Sogla 13'0"
 Discus- 4th place: Oscar Duden 75'7"
 Coming in third place was the Boys "B" Division team. Individual and relay results for the B Division include:
 200 Meter- 3rd place: Keyan Derosier 32.38, 6th place: Dylan Gerardy 35.36, and 7th place: Caden Lee 36.05
 400 Meter- 3rd place: Gavin Booth 1:11.86, and 5th place: Caden Lee 1:21.87
 100 Hurdles- 1st place: Gavin Booth 19.22, 2nd place: Keyan Derosier 20.84, and 3rd place: Dylan Gerardy 21.04
 4x100 Meter Relay- 4th place: Keyan Derosier, Dylan Gerardy, Caden Lee, and Gavin Booth 1:03.18
 Long Jump- 3rd place: Gavin Booth 14'½"

“Lace ‘Em Up” Basketball Camp Registration

By Kia Bachand
 The annual “Lace ‘Em Up” Basketball Camp will be held in the Red Lake Falls High School from June 3rd-7th, 2019. It is open to boys and girls who are currently in grades K-11. From 8:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. will be for grades 6th-11th, and 12:00 to 3:30 p.m. will be for grades K-6th. (If requested, sixth graders may come in the morning, afternoon, or both for one price).
 The cost of the camp is \$60 with a maximum of \$100 per family. If registered before May 25th, you will also receive a camp T-shirt. After May 25th, all single registration fees will be \$70 and the maximum cost per family will be \$120.
 Return registration forms to Steve Philion:

School Readiness helps prepares children for school

Both Red Lake County Central Schools in Plummer and Oklee offer School Readiness for families with children 3 ½ years old up to kindergarten age. According to Minnesota Department of Education, “The early years of a child's life are crucial in creating a foundation for life-long learning and success.” The goal of School Readiness is “to help preschoolers enter school with the skills and behaviors necessary to be successful in future learning.”

The School Readiness teachers for RLCC are Margaret Hamrum and Naomi Magnell. Each shared information about School Readiness and about themselves.
Margaret Hamrum
 By Abigail Walton
 Margaret Hamrum is a School Readiness teacher at the Red Lake County Central Plummer site. She has been working there for approximately 22 years. She commented, “In those years, I have worked with many wonderful people.”

When asked why she chose to be involved with School Readiness, Hamrum replied, “I have always enjoyed working with preschoolers. I started babysitting when I was twelve years old and I always took home economics classes in high school.”

Hamrum works with 3 ½-5 year olds for School Readiness and 0-5 year olds and their parents for ECFE. She sees the 3 ½-4 year olds on Wednesdays and 4-5 year olds on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Her favorite part about working in Early Childhood Education is watching the kids learn new skills by providing a variety of learning experiences.

A typical day in School Readiness includes breakfast, playtime, large motor activities, circle time, table jobs, lunch, rest time, afternoon game, circle time (video learning, books, flannel board, etc.), and snack time.

When asked what aspects of School Readiness may be a challenge for some children, Hamrum responded with, “The main challenges are children missing their parents, learning to follow the directions of the teachers, and teaching the children self-help skills.” The School Readiness staff uses a lot of redirecting, and patience. With some children it takes several weeks of repetition.

There is more to School Readiness than just the day-to-day planning and teaching.

Hamrum also plans two preschool screenings during the year with Naomi Magnell. She also work with Joni Bjerklie to run the RLCC Early Childhood Family Education (ECFE) classes two or three times per month.

RLCC Schools have been given the “Highest Possible Rating” by Parent Aware for using practices that best prepare children for kindergarten. When asked how they achieved that rating, Hamrum said, “Our curriculum includes social, emotional, cognitive, language, large motor, fine motor, and lots of ABC and 123 learning activities. We emphasize the importance of reading every day with your child. The more you spend time with your child in the preschool years, the easier their education will be in the future.”

Hamrum has a Bachelor of Science major in home economics and a minor in child development from North Dakota State University. In 1986, she received a Parent Educator degree when she was hired for ECFE.

She is married to Lowell Hamrum. Their children are Alex, Jessie, and Tyrell who is married to Natalie. They have one granddaughter, Elise. Hamrum enjoys sewing, crocheting, gardening, spending time with her family, and traveling to visit her family. She loves to make items to give away as gifts like bibs, burpies, taggie blankets, hand towels, and scrubbies.

Naomi Magnell

By: Phillip Sorenson

Naomi Magnell is in her fourth year of teaching School Readiness in Oklee where she teaches three and half year olds to five year olds. She teaches every Tuesday and Thursday for the older four and five year olds, and on Wednesday is their three and half year olds to the younger four year olds. She graduated from Mayville State University in 2009 with her degree in Early Childhood Education. She enjoys seeing the happiness in the student's faces and how much they grow from coming to School Readiness.

A typical day for School Readiness is morning greetings and sign in. When the whole class has arrived they go to breakfast as a class. Next is large circle time to find out who came to school that day. They also will go over the calendar

and check the weather. Then they will “wake” themselves up by music and dancing.

These preschoolers go through the alphabet and have a letter for the week. Also they will read a story based on what they learned that week. This year they go to the library on Thursdays and have Mrs. Moll read them a story. The students get to check out a book to read at home and bring it back.

Magnell believes play is important. The students get the choice to play in different areas of the classroom. Choices include playing in the kitchen and dramatic play area, blocks, art center, and the sensory table. They try to get outside as often as possible, too.

The students eat a healthy lunch and have a rest time in the afternoon. The day ends by having activities and a snack before they leave. She also stated, “Our classroom is busy, loud, happy, and creative while we are playing, growing, and learning.”

As a School Readiness teacher, she is involved with preschool screenings in the fall and winter. Magnell does assessments and observations throughout the year.

Magnell said, “One of the biggest challenges I see are the children that never been part of a child care program.” To help the address this Magnell commented, “The classroom and environment is welcoming to the students and family so both can feel comfortable and safe. We want students to get use to a routine and create a trusting relationship with them.”

RLCC schools have been given the “Highest Possible Rating” by Parent Aware by “using practices that best prepare children for kindergarten.” This is an honor. Magnell stated that “School Readiness gives students the introduction to academic skills but also playing an important role in helping them to learn how to get along and communicate by using and developing appropriate social emotional skills.”

Magnell grew up in Cavalier, North Dakota but moved to Oklee after marrying her husband Charles, who grew up here. They have a daughter Maci who is six years old. Her family lives in the country and they enjoy farm life with their cows, goats, and chickens. She loves gardening and being outside and spending time with her family.



Margaret Hamrum, the School Readiness teacher at the RLCC Plummer site, pictured with her students.



RLCC Oklee School Readiness teacher Naomi Magnell with her preschool students.

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RLCC Senior High Band members who attended the Band Trip to see “Mama Mia” at the Chanhassen Theater were: (Back) Noah Hanson, Jed Duden, Tom Nelson, George Duden, Brock Tvedt, and Tristyn Ferguson. (Middle) Jayden Iverson and Mrs. Patty Mickelson. (Front) Lilly Hanson, Karena Melby, Janae Olson, Emily Kolstoe and Katelyn Suchy.

Instrumental Contest

By: Isaiah Aquino
Red Lake County Central had 11 members from the band go to the Instrumental Contest Wednesday, April 17 at East Grand Forks High School. The 2019 instrumental competitors were either two points away from the Superior Rating or received the Superior Rating. To receive a superior rating, you must have earned a rating of 35-40. The rest received

Excellent rating.
The following were Instrumental Ensembles. Janae Olson and Emily Kolstoe received a 36 rating and performed “Blue Tail Fly.” Jayden Iverson and Karena Melby received a 33 and performed “Hungarian Rhapsody No. 2.” Thomas Benson and Katelyn Suchy received a 34 rating and performed “Two Pals.” Suchy, Benson, Marie Johnson, Brock

Tvedt, Tristyn Ferguson, Noah Hanson and George Duden received a 33 and performed “God of Our Fathers.”
Instrumental Soloist Suchy received a 33 rating and performed “Up and Down and Round About.” Iverson received a 35 rating and performed “Poco Waltz.”
RLCC Music teacher Mrs. Patty Mickelson commented, “I am so glad this can be a positive experience for all the students.”



Attending the 2019 Instrumental Ensemble and Solo Contest from RLCC were: (Front) Noah Hanson, George Duden, Thomas Benson, Brock Tvedt, Tristyn Ferguson, (Back) Tom Nelson, Jayden Iverson, Marie Johnson, Katelyn Suchy, Emily Kolstoe, Janae Olson, Karena Melby along with their band director Mrs. Patty Mickelson.



At the Headwaters Science Center in Bemidji parents and preschoolers experimented with the Bernoulli Ball and the effects of air pressure.



Red Lake County School Readiness children enjoying activities at Headwaters Science Center in Bemidji.



Headwaters Science Center in Bemidji allowed the kids to hold snakes and many other activities.



Red Lake County preschoolers and parents from Oklee, Plummer and Red Lake Falls enjoyed their time at the Science Center which they got to participate in hands-on activities.

Letter to the Editor
To Whom it may concern at the Bank of McIntosh,
Since when do you have to clean your money when you turn it in.
Michael Paquin
Oklee MN

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General Weed Notice

To Control or Eradicate Noxious Weeds and Grasshoppers

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, this 1st day of May 2019, pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 18.83, Subd. 1 (1992), that all persons in Red Lake County, Minnesota, shall control or eradicate all noxious weeds on land they own, occupy, or are required to maintain. Control or eradication may be accomplished by any lawful method, but the methods may need to be repeated in order to prevent the spread of viable noxious weed seeds and other propagating parts to other lands. Failure to comply with the general notice may mean that an individual notice will be issued. An individual notice may be appealed within two working days of receipt to the appeal committee in the county where the land is located. Failure to comply with the individual notice will mean that the inspector having jurisdiction may either hire the work done or seek a misdemeanor charge against the person(s) who failed to comply. If the work is hired done by the inspector, the cost can be placed as a tax upon the land and collected as other real estate taxes are collected. You may obtain a list of the plants that are designated noxious and of the members of the appeal committee from your County Agricultural Inspector. The local weed inspectors are Township Supervisors, City Mayors or their appointed assistants.

NOTICE IS ALSO HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 18.0225 (1990), that all persons, owning, occupying, or in charge of maintenance of land shall control grasshoppers by any lawful method on land located in designated control zones. The methods used may need to be repeated to prevent the movement of grasshoppers to adjacent lands. Failure to comply with the general notice may mean that the inspector having jurisdiction will issue an individual notice. Failure to comply with the individual notice may mean the inspector having jurisdiction will hire control work done and place the cost as a tax lien upon the land. A similar appeal process applies to violations of the grasshopper law as to the noxious weed law. You may obtain lists of the townships that are designated as control zones and of the appeal committee members from the County Agricultural Inspector or local grasshopper inspector. Local grasshopper inspectors are Township Supervisors or their appointed assistants.

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ASKS YOUR COOPERATION IN THIS WEED CONTROL WORK.

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Office: 218-253-4121

FOR METHODS OF CONTROLLING NOXIOUS WEEDS, SEE YOUR COUNTY AGRICULTURAL AGENT, TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS, CITY MAYOR OR THEIR APPOINTED ASSISTANTS.

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May 6th 2019

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NOTICE

Large Item Pick-up in Oklee

May 9th, 2019 ... starting at 8:00 a.m.

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No MICROWAVES, TV'S OR COMPUTER MONITORS.

Monitors, TV's or Microwaves may be picked up for a nominal fee. Fees for monitors, TV's and Microwaves are \$5.00 each. Must be paid for before the pick up. Pay at the City Clerk's office. Please call the Oklee City Clerk's office the week before the clean-up if you have one of those items to be picked up. Tires will also be picked up for a fee: 17" and up \$3.00; 16" and down \$2.00. Also needs to be paid for before City will take.

This year the large items will be picked up at your home. Please have them out by 8:00 a.m. in the morning and place items on the boulevard. This is a one-day-only pick-up. If you have any questions, call the Oklee City Clerk's office at 796-5183.

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It takes the cooperation of all residents, businesses and lot owners to improve the appearance of our City and to aid in beautifying Oklee.

Red Lake County has a landfill site just north of Oklee. It will open on May 1st and is open on the 2nd & 4th Saturday mornings and Wednesday evenings. This is where you bring items not picked up by regular garbage services. For more information on the Red Lake County Landfills, go to: <http://www.co.red-lake.mn.us/>, click on the Services Tab, then Public Health & Services; and finally on Environmental Services.

If you need extra garbage bags for garbage pickup, you can purchase them at Cenex in Oklee or D & R Grocery for normal garbage pickups.

The City of Oklee will pick up bagged grass clippings & leaves and branches (6 foot length or less).

If you have any questions, you may call the City Clerk's office at 796-5183.

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Hippity, Hoppity, the Easter Bunny found it's way to Oklee on April 14th



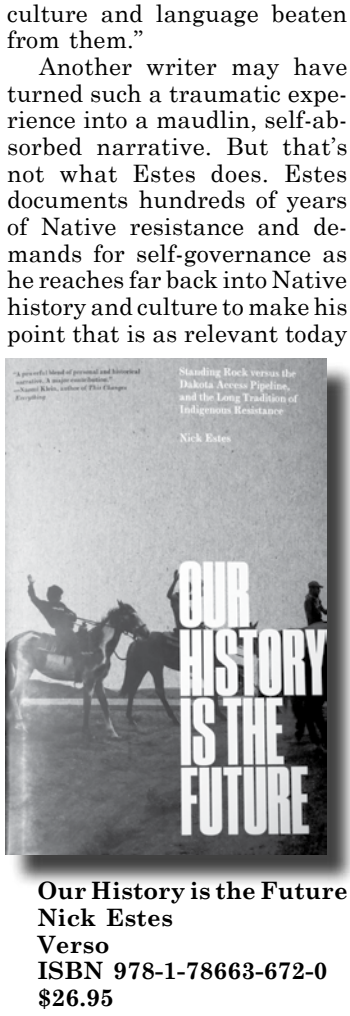
Writers & Writing by Michael Tidemann



Tidemann started his journalism career at the Bismarck Tribune in 1978 and began college teaching career as a graduate teaching assistant at the University of South Dakota in Vermillion in 1977. He has worked at newspapers in Iowa and the Dakotas and his work has appeared in Overdrive, Writer's Journal, the San Diego Union-Tribune and Snowmobile.

Estes chronicles centuries of Native resistance

Anyone who thinks the Dakota Access Pipeline protests of 2016 were merely a futile protest by current-day Native people should read *Our History is the Future* by Nick Estes. Estes, who grew up in Chamberlain, S.D., and who is a citizen of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribe, chronicles centuries of Native resistance to colonial incursions on indigenous land and human rights. Estes' history is exhaustive. His research runs the gamut from the making – and breaking – of more than 500 treaties with Native people to the seizing of land for Missouri River dams to the present day. It's Estes' own experience with being a Native person living in poverty, though, that fuels his narrative. This is his story as much as anyone's. "I also knew Michael, a white kid from my small hometown of Chamberlain, South Dakota, along the Missouri River. I grew up in a single-parent, single-income household, in a mobile home literally on the wrong side of the tracks. Michael's parents made ends meet by working at the Catholic-run Indian boarding school where my father and his siblings had their Lakota



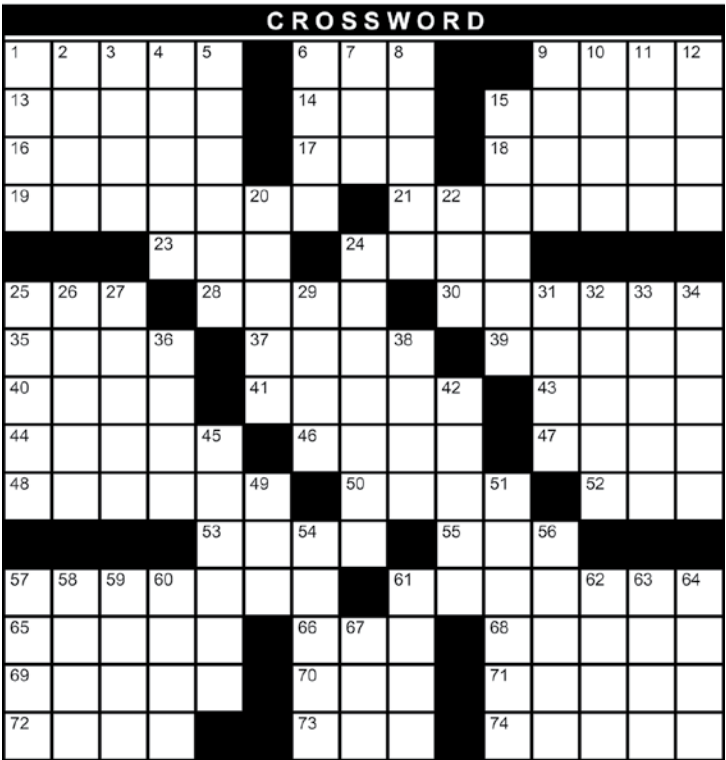
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culture and language beaten from them." Another writer may have turned such a traumatic experience into a maudlin, self-absorbed narrative. But that's not what Estes does. Estes documents hundreds of years of Native resistance and demands for self-governance as he reaches far back into Native history and culture to make his point that is as relevant today

as it ever was. "In the past, youth followed the guidance of Indigenous elders, the old ones. But in these prophetic times, it is the old ones who are following the leadership of the young, the youth leaders of the #NoDAPL movement." Estes also explains the Native sense of time – or rather timeliness – and how it helps sustain the Indian people. "But Indigenous notions of time consider the present to be entirely structured by our past and by our ancestors. There is no separation between past and present meaning that an alternative future is also determined by our understanding of our past. Our history is the future." Estes shows how the seizure of Native lands for Missouri River dams paved the way for the Dakota Access Pipeline. Some may find Estes' position controversial. However, he makes a solid case for the DAPL protests and why they're just a moment in a long history of continual Native resistance. *Michael Tidemann writes from Estherville, Iowa. His author page is amazon.com/author/michaeltidemann.*



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 58. Red carpet purse
 59. Witty remark
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Wednesday, May 1, 2019



Oklee Herald Early Files

Eighty Years Ago
April 27, 1939

More buildings in Oklee and Oklee continues to grow. Dennis Bergeron recently purchased a house which he has moved into town and set up at the west end of Second Avenue. Mr. Julia Welte recently completed a 16 x 10 addition to her place of business on Main Street. Work continues on the new Co-op Oil Service Station and on the new school building.

Verbal warnings for traffic violations will no longer be given. Written ones will be given and if the offender receives two warning for the same violation, he will be arrested and taken to court.

The Milo Cantwell family have vacated the old Jore place by the Clearwater Church. Another family will be moving in.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Gunderson and family spent Sunday at the T. Rome home at Goodridge.

Seventy Years Ago
April 28, 1949

Voters in the Village of Gonvick Tuesday last week elected to install a municipal water system. The vote was 103 in favor and 23 opposed.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed LaJambe are the parents of a daughter born April 18th.

Major Legislative bills were: \$90,000,000 bonus for veterans of WWII for maximum payments of \$270 for domestic duty and \$400 for foreign service, a forty-hour week for all employees of state institutions, uniform closing hour of 1 a.m. fixed statewide on on-sale hard liquor & beer taverns, and an increase in basic school aids from \$50. per pupil to \$65.

Sixty Years Ago
April 30, 1959

Carol Boucher was picked by the Oklee American Legion Auxiliary to attend Girls State and Marilyn Fortier was named as alternate.

The population of Oklee has passed the 500 mark, according to a survey conducted this week by eighth grade students under the direction of James Turgeon. According to the survey, the village has 147 children 10 years old and under, 82 person in the 11-20 age group, 44 in the 21-30 group, 57 in the 31-40 group, 54 in the 41-50 group, 37 in the 51-60 group, 55 in the 61-70 group, 25 in the 71-80 group, nine in the 81-90 group, and none in the 91-100 group.

A crowd of over 200 people attended the circuit meeting held at the Clearwater Church

Sunday afternoon. The speaker was Professor Milton Otto of the seminary at Mankato.

Seven to eight sections of land in Deer Park and Hickory townships were burned over Tuesday last week when a blaze, fanned by strong wind, got out of control.

Fifty Years Ago
May 1, 1969

A bridal shower was held on Thursday evening for Miss Diana Nelson at the Immanuel Lutheran church parlors.

A large crowd attended the Plummer High School Spring music concert on Friday evening under the direction of Wayne Wegge.

Sunday afternoon guests at the George Olson home in observance of David's 8th birthday were Mr. and Mrs. Ingvald Olson and girls, Evelyn Nelson of Crookston and many others.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Mack announce the arrival of a 4 pound 11 ounce granddaughter to the Peter Millers of Hopkins. She was named Patricia Kay.

Mrs. Selma Johnson and Mrs. James Votava attendee the Mothers-Daughters banquet at Our Saviors church in McIntosh Friday evening.

Forty Years Ago
April 26, 1979

Sometime early Sunday morning 6 vehicles in Oklee received slashed tires. The incident was investigated by the Red Lake County Sheriff's Department.

Jeannette Carriere was named Postmaster at Brooks effective April 21, 1979. Postmasters are selected on merit and appointed by the Postmaster General.

Oklee High School wrestler, John Cyr, and graduate Brent Strand will be a month 10 area wrestlers competing for the Falcon Wrestling Club in a dual meet against a Cultural Exchange team from Finland on May 1st in Fertile.

Oklee Co-op Oil advertised their Grand Opening of their newly remodeled Hardware Store for April 28th.

The Oklee Recreation team took top honors by beating Johnson's Hide and Fur in a play-off for first place in the American Bowling League.

Thirty Years Ago
April 26, 1989

The play "The Mouse that Roared" was presented at the Oklee High School gym.

The weatherman has been dishing out beautiful weather, so spring must be here. A nice warm rain would be welcomed

to wash away the dregs of a long winter.

The Oklee Old Tymers played at Fertile Fair Meadow Nursing home on Tuesday. That same day the accordionist, Orlien Rindahl, tripped on something on the floor in a shop and hurt his shoulder, so now he is on the disabled list.

Sixth grader, Lon Vetteson traveled to Wilmar on April 1st to compete in the Jaycees State Wrestling tournament where he took 2nd place.

The Plummer Senior Citizens turned out well for the May potluck and meeting. About 65 people were in attendance including several guests.

Twenty Years Ago
April 28, 1999

Seniors honored at the Academic Banquet were Tammy Berberich, Jennifer Cote, Stephanie Olson, Sarah O'Neill, Jennifer Olson and Casey Jo Wilde. Guest speaker at the Oklee High School Academic Banquet was Amy (Haugen) Kelly.

Members of the Happy Go Lucky 4-H Club won first place in the annual county-wide Share the Fun contest held on April 11th. Garnes Go-Getters 4-H Club were 2nd and Happy Trail 4-H Club was 3rd.

Professor Prudence J Gushwa, an Associate Professor from Mankato State University visited Oklee because she knew that Oklee was Coya Knutson's home town.

Coya Knutson, the first and only woman from Minnesota to serve in the U.S. Congress, will receive the 1999 Distinguished Minnesotan Award from Bemidji State University. Coya died in 1996 and her son, Terry, will accept the award.

Ten Years Ago
April 29, 2009

Last week, RLCC High School presented "Arsenic and Old Lace" a well-known Broadway play that ran for 25 years and also a popular Hollywood movie.

David Sparby was left a quadriplegic in 2006 in a farming accident. New treatments have given him feeling and a future due to the electroshock therapy to his spinal cord and is regaining strength.

Meet the Kindergarten featured Janae Olson, Gavin Galkowski, Levi Flatgard, and Hannah Lerol.

The RLCC High School Spring Music Concert was held in conjunction with the RLCC High School Art Show.

Senior Site News & Other Things

By Volunteer Iona Berry

Back to my column again. I returned home last Monday after a very nice vacation in California. I spent my time with my daughter, Suellen and Scott, my grand daughters, Marisa & Metodi, Angie & Michael homes. I even was able to take part in the birthday of my great granddaughter's birthday party.

My time was spent doing many things. Marisa, Suellen and I visited the Pinnacles National Park. It was a nice warm day and we had a picnic lunch there followed by a hike afterwards. It is a lovely park with lots of beautiful mountains. I didn't try climbing them.

While at Spongs, Scott took us to look at the beautiful flowers in full bloom. We stopped and took pictures of the California flowers which don't appear unless there has been lots of rain. They were covered in the mountains with solid orange and blue flowers. Along the way we had to go around cars stopped to take pictures. This went along the mountains for many miles. Scott said it had been many years since this had appeared so people were busy taking pictures.

Now it is back to normal living. I am happy to be able to enjoy the City of Oklee. I

volunteered as usual as the Senior Site on Wednesday.

It was very sad to hear Annette Magnell had passed away. Her funeral was on Sunday. She was in Donald's class in school. Donald is on his way home from California, so will not be able to attend the funeral. She is the first member of the class who has died.

Dates to Remember

May 14: Senior Potluck at the Cafe 5 p.m.

May 16: Senior Site Council meeting 10 a.m.

May 17: Birthday Meal.

Word of Wisdom

The opportunity to be at your best is available with any encounter.

If it doesn't make you sweat, there's probably not a lesson in it.

Joke Time

An unhappy man told his friend that he was seeing a psychiatrist about his marital problems. The shrink told him that his wife probably didn't mean the cruel things she was saying about him. "My doctor said I have a persecution complex," the man told his friend.

"Really." And what do you think?" asked the friend. "That's what I expected he'd

say," the man replied. "The guy hates me."

Pete was telling a friend that he had just lost his job. "Why did the foreman fire you," the friend asked in surprise.

"Oh," Pete said, "you know how foremen are. They stand around with their hands in their pockets watching everybody else work."

"We all know that," replied his friend. "But why did he let you go?"

"Jealousy," answered Pete. "All the other workers thought I was the foreman."



Irene Rosten was the lucky winner of the Free Meal.

Brooks - Terrebonne News

By Barb Novak 218-698-4296 novakbl@gvtel.com

The up and down weather continues. Cold this coming week according to the forecast. Seems never ending.

One young man turned 10 years old this past week. He is Jackson Morinville. He is the grandson of Perry and Joyce Morinville. It is special to turn ten. That is when you get into the double digits. From here on in the years will fly by. Happy Birthday Jackson.

Joyce Morinville also had a birthday and one of her celebrations was with the golf sisters. It looked like they were having a good time and enjoying celebrating Joyce. Happy Birthday Joyce.

We are all shocked and saddened to have to report that Lawrence Berberich has passed away. He was a pillar of the community, who hardly ever missed any gathering in

the Brooks area. He was a member of St. Joseph Church, a member of the Pioneers in Plummer and actively took part in the Blast To Brooks in many ways. He will be missed because he stepped up to help with the celebrations and supported the people who otherwise worked for those events. His funeral will be Monday April 29, at St. Joseph Church.

Give a big hand to the children in the catechism classes at St. Joe's. They put on a pancake breakfast and collected enough money to build a house for the poor in Peru. They also did a service project in Oklee to make money for this project. Good work kids, you did very well. A pie throwing event on Sunday netted some teachers clean-up time after church. It was a lot of fun for them.

Well, we got our Publishers

Clearing House phone call that told us that we won. Of course it was a scam and the guy insisted that he was legitimate. When he wanted to meet us at Walmart to give us the check, and asked us what our routing numbers were on our checks we of course did Not give them. Meeting us at Walmart was really off the wall though. I guess if anyone calls and tells you that you won hang up. It is a waste of time to try to catch them and they won't give up until you tell them I know this is a scam. So beware of the telephone robbers. They can steal over the phone just like a pickpocket if you give them the information.

Have a great week. It will be a little chillier so wear a jacket. Enjoy the people you meet. And Smile.

Plummer News

By Alice Jobe 218-465-4402

Lorie Gildea and Jemmy Skjervsen spent Easter weekend with Roger Skjervsen and Peggy and Kermit Genereaux of Thief River Falls.

Tony and Sheila Gerardy had Easter Sunday dinner for both Sorenson's side and Gerardy's.

Arlene Zimpel had her family for Easter dinner. John Simpel, Nancy and Tom Bray's, Suzie Zimpel and Diane. Roger and Lynn Gallant were at Des Moines, Iowa.

Sandy & Mike Greenwald had Easter weekend for their kids: Sheena & Adam Buckhouse of Aberdeen, SD, Dave & Patty Glennon and family of Casselton, ND, Cheryl & Jeremy Schiele and family of Jamestown, ND. Nine grandchildren in all. They enjoyed the Easter Egg Hunt at the Hall.

Alice Jobe had Easter Sunday dinner at her home for her family. There were ten that came. It was a beautiful day and lots of good food. Nephew Mike brought his green bean casserole. Niece Kari from Roseau brought her poodle "Downy" with her.

Judy and Jim Kelley hosted Easter dinner for Jean Carpenter, Cindy Thomas of Manhattan, KS, Russ Carpenter, Mike Fossum, Jeff Kelley and daughter Jade and her boyfriend Zach. Also Jakob Kelley and girlfriend Jazzie, Jared & Jenny Kelley and Jalayna and Jaliza.

Alice Jobe had coffee with Cindy Thomas Saturday morning at Carpenter's home.

It was an exciting Easter Saturday when the Plummer Lions Too and Plummer Lions hosted the annual Easter Egg Hunt at the Plummer Hall. About 80 kids along with may family members attended. Children ages 0-4th grade signed up for the prize basket drawings. Jennifer & Branden Vogel constructed a beautiful spring back-drop and selling for the Photo Booth and most kids and families took the opportunity to take pictures with the Easter Bunny. Even the Lion's Club members were included in a photo.

Downstairs the kids decorated their Easter bags and eggs, and colored Easter pictures. Upstairs Plummer Lions

Too members read storeis of chicks, bunnies and all things spring.

The eggs were hid in the hall basement and the kids had fun finding them and coming upstairs for the prizes. Each child received a bag of Easter treats and a bottle of water. Several baskets were drawn for and the winner announced at the end of the hunt.

The Plummer Lions and Lions Too sponsor the Easter Egg Hunt and the City of Plummer donates the Hall.

Immanuel Lutheran Church had a 7 a.m. Sunrise Easter Sunday service. The ladies served breakfast afterwards. They had scrambled eggs, ham, muffins, coffee and juice.

On Easter Sunday morning

I called my distant cousin Stan in the Czech Republic at 11 a.m. my time. It was 5 p.m. there. We talked a few minutes. He said they have a drought there. Quite different than here. I told him there had been mudslide in southern Minnesota.

Queen Elizabeth recently celebrated her 93rd birthday. Also Prince Louis celebrated his 1st birthday with family. He is the 3rd child of Duchess Catherin and Prince William.

The previous Saturday I saw the first Killdeer close to uptown and he predicted rain. We got 3/10th of an inch Saturday night. Also saw seagulls flying over at the City yard waste area.

Have a good week!

Bonny's Bits...

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Easter has come and gone and it was nice weekend to enjoy the weather. It is usually a weekend for family gatherings.

The weather is spring like and should stay around. Fields are drying up and ditches are emptying their load of water to the rivers, which have gone done some but are still quite high, but not really any flooding except for maybe a few fields right on the rivers.

However, this past Monday rain and snow came to haunt us one more time.

Time now to clean up the winter mess of fallen branches, leaves we didn't get raked and prepare for spring planting of gardens and fields.

Always like to see a nice spring rain to clean up the earth and cause everything to burst open with new grow.

Here is something I came across and found interesting. As people talk about politics or other things that happen in the world, this web site shows the bias from all sides. I encourage everyone to not just listen or watch one news or radio station but to learn all sides of a story.

"ReadTheBias.com is a website that showcases how major news publications report the same issues differently. The language, media and tone used by a news publication can significantly influence a reader's

perception of a particular issue. This website doesn't aim to tell you how you should think about an issue but rather tries to show a diverse view through headlines all over the political spectrum."

I have always said, there are always at least two side to every story. And I know that 5 people can see the same car accident and when interviewed, you will get five different versions. That is what is so hard about finding the facts and know what exactly happened. Perceptions are not facts.

Keep that in mind when talking with people and be open to learning new facts.

Who's Dat?



Who's Dat

This week's photo is of another group of kids from a local school. How many faces do you recognize?

Last week's photo was of Tom Radniecki who lives just outside of Oklee. He has always been an avid motorcyclist. The person riding with Tom is unknown.

Everyone has a photo or two that would be great for this column. Please share them with our readers as it

is one of most popular columns of the Oklee Herald.

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